

New York, Nov. 76. 1838.

My Dear Sir

Yours of 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. was duly received, and I thank you very much for your attention, as well as the hints and kind advice you offer. But I am sorry to say that the parcels, as well as the letter & enclosure to Chiffart have not yet arrived, or had not at 2 P.M. and I had supposed I should have been obliged to sail without the letters of introduction &c. But I am this evening informed that the sailing of the vessel is postponed until Thursday, so that I still have a chance.

I need not say that I shall promptly and carefully attend to your several commissions. I wish you would write

to Pixie, Dr. Torrey will forward your letter with others to meet me at Paris, and then your blowing up will come with more point than through a third person. I would have

much pleased to spend a day <sup>or two</sup> with you, but it has been out of the question wholly. Even now I should not have been ready had not the day been postponed.

When you commence your lectures here, if you should not be here sooner, I wish you would call, with Dr. Torrey upon Mr. Davis the Architect, and give him your views as to the arrangement of rooms for Natural Philosophy, Chemistry &c. He wants data very much, and the assistance you might render would be very important.

Mr. Christie was according to the last accounts very sick, and not expected to survive long. A tumor or some other disease of the spine is said to be the malady.

You may continue to address me in London to the care of your own agent C. Rich of Red Lion Square. It is probable that I shall have business relations with him. Dr. Torrey will from time to time be advised of my movements on the continent. Best regards to Mrs. H.

With many thanks for the expression of your kind wishes, I remain  
Cordially and very truly  
Yours. - A. Gray.

P.S. When a definite proposition from our Board of Regents reaches you, as I hope it may sometime next month, I hope you will give the subject a careful consideration. - I also hope your views of duty may lead you to embrace the offer. I wrote some time ago to a member of the Board, recommending them to try also for Prof. Alexander, and in case of their being obliged to look among the Clergy for a Chancellor, advising them to attempt Dr. Ludlow. Stillman it is more than probable will not and could not, leave New Haven, when he is part and parcel of the College. Adieu  
A.G.

Prof. Henry.

P.S. 2<sup>nd</sup> do. (Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>) Parcels arrived at Chilton's. - all right. - A.G.

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Prof. Joseph Henry

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